

**Abstract**

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The present invention relates to a method for the preparation of cells for use in the production of biologicals, by culturing cells up to a desired cell volume of a preproduction batch, whereafter in a repeated discontinuous process: a) a portion of the cells of the preproduction batch is used for the preparation of at least one production batch, and b) the remaining cells of the preproduction batch are used as seed for the preparation of at least one subsequent preproduction batch.